

REMARKS

Claims 1-37 currently are pending in this application. Claim 8 has been allowed. By amendments above, claims 1, 15, 26, 28, and 32 have been amended to delete those embodiments in which substituent Y of the generic formula (I) can be heteroaryl, and claims 15, 16, 25, 28, and 32 have been amended to delete those embodiments in which substituent R of the generic formula can be hydroxy or alkoxy. In addition, claim 28 has been amended to delete those embodiments in which substituent Q of the generic formula can be a C1-C6 alkoxy group. Claim 3 has been revised to make it an independent claim, and to include 2-acetoxyphenyl and 3,4-dihydroxycinnamoyloxy as possible substituents at Y. No new matter has been added.

In the outstanding Office Action, the examiner has withdrawn rejections under Section 102(b) that were based on the Bollettino Chimico Farmaceutico (1964), 103(3) p. 165-170 reference, which Applicant gratefully acknowledges.

The examiner has made new rejections against each of claims 1, 4, 15, 26, 28, 29, and 32 as being anticipated by the abstract of *Journal of the Chemical Society, Perkin Transactions 1: Organic and Bio-Organic Chemistry* (1976), 12, p. 1331-1338. The examiner specifically cited compound RN=60330-46-3 (CAPLUS abstract). As noted above, Applicant has amended independent claims 1, 15, 26, 28, and 32 to

eliminate from the scope of the claims those compounds in which substituent Y is a heteroaryl group. By eliminating this substituent, the compounds of general formula (I) are clearly distinguished from the reference compound. Claim 3 is made independent and encompasses compounds that are clearly distinguished from the reference compound.

The outstanding Office Action was made final. This amendment is therefore submitted along with a Request for Continued Examination filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.114 and the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e).

Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims as amended are in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action on the merits are respectfully requested.

In the event that this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Any fee for such an extension together with additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account No. 02-2135.

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